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EXPERTS ON INDIAN AND EGYPTIAN ART TO SPEAK AT THE MUSEUM JUNE 5 AND 6

Two eminent scholars, Karl J. Khandalavala, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Prince of Wales Museum, Bombay, India, and John Baines, Professor of Egyptology at the University of Oxford, England, will give illustrated lectures at The Cleveland Museum of Art in June.

Dr. Khandalavala, one of the foremost scholars of Indian painting and sculpture, will lecture on "Eastern Indian Metal Images," on Saturday, June 5, at 3:00 pm. He will discuss the school of metal sculpture that flourished in Eastern India under the patronage of the Pala and Sena dynasties from the 8th to the 12th centuries. Long after Hinduism had supplanted Buddhism in other parts of the country, Eastern India remained an active Buddhist center. The easily portable bronze images, largely of Buddhist deities, produced in Eastern India became models for sculpture in Nepal, Tibet, Burma, Thailand, and Indonesia.

Professor Baines will lecture on "Temples of Ancient Egypt" on Sunday, June 6, at 3:30 pm. He will explain the symbolic aspects of the architecture and decoration of Egyptian temples from the New Kingdom Period (Karnak, Luxor, Abu Simbel, and Abydos) to the Greco-Roman Period (Esna, Edfu, and Kom Ombo). Professor Baines is co-author with Jaromir Malek of one of the best recent books on Egypt, Atlas of Ancient Egypt (Oxford: Phaidon Press, 1980). He has done research and field work in Egypt and the Sudan, recently directing an expedition to study inscriptions in the temple of Seti I at Abydos.

Both lectures, which are free and open to the public, will be given in the Museum Recital Hall.

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